



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **SUGAWARA, Masanobu et al.**

Group Art Unit: **1626**

Serial No.: **09/926,346**

Examiner: **SMALL**

Filed: **February 5, 2002**

P.T.O. Confirmation No.: **7883**

For: **PROCESS FOR PRODUCING OPTICALLY ACTIVE AMINO ACID
DERIVATIVES**

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

July 14, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated April 14, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows: